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SUBJECT: TRAVEL TO US BY SPECIAL PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
OF PRESIDENT DAOUD

1. DEPFONMIN WAHID ABDULLAH SUMMONED ME SUDDENLY AT 2030
OCTOBER 18 TO SAY THAT PRESIDENT DAOUD WAS SENDING HIM IMMED-
IATELY TO WASHINGTON AS HIS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE TO
DELIVER "A VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGE ON THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS"
DIRECTLY TO PRESIDENT NIXON.

2. ABDULLAH DEPARTING KABUL OCTOBER 19. ARRIVING NEW YORK
SAME DATE PAA 119 FROM PARIS. WILL CONSULT IN NEW YORK WITH
AFGHAN DELEGATION, THEN PROCEED WASHINGTON AS SOON AS BRIEF
APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT CAN BE ARRANGED. AFGHAN AMBASSADOR
MALIKYAR INFORMED TONIGHT BY TELEPHONE OF ABDULLAH'S MISSION.

3. ABDULLAH SAID DELIVERY OF PRESIDENT DAOUD'S MESSAGE TO
PRESIDENT NIXON IS SOLE PURPOSE OF TRIP. HOWEVER, HE WOULD
EXPECT REMAIN 2-3 DAYS IN WASHINGTON AND WOULD BE HAPPY
DISCUSS ANY OTHER MATTERS WITH U.S. OFFICIALS ON WHICH THEY
MAY WISH EXCHANGE VIEWS. HE IS OF COURSE HOPEFUL OF SEEING
LAINGEN OF NEA IN PARTICULAR. VISIT TO KABUL OF INDIAN
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FONMIN BEING POSTPONED ONE WEEK UNTIL ABDULLAH'S RETURN.

4. I WAS ABLE LEARN ONLY THAT MESSAGE IS "GOOD NEWS". AS I
DROVE UP TO FONMIN, EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR WAS JUST LEAVING.

HE ALSO TOLD ME THAT "THERE WAS GOOD NEWS."

5. REALIZING FULL WELL HOW HEAVY MUST BE CURRENT PRESSURES ON PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE, URGE THAT SOME WAY BE FOUND TO ARRANGE A BRIEF APPOINTMENT FOR ABDULLAH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER MORNING OF OCTOBER 20. AFGHANS COULD WELL PLAY INTERMEDIARY ROLE OF SOME UTILITY. MOREOVER, IN DELICATE STATE OF POLITICAL EQUATION HERE, ANY IMAGINED SLIGHT OF DAOUD'S MESSENGER COULD HAVE CONSIDERABLE ADVERSE IMPACT ON OUR FUTURE RELATIONS WITH REGIME.

6. SUGGEST IMMEDIATE CONTACT BE MADE BY U.S. OFFICIAL UPON ARRIVAL NEW YORK PAA 119 OCTOBER 19. ABDULLAH BEING ACCOMPANIED BY OBIEDULLAH KARIM OF FONMIN PROTOCOL DIVISION. LEWIS

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